# SERIES ANALYSIS AND SCHWARTZ ALGEBRAS OF SPHERICAL CONVOLUTIONS ON SEMISIMPLE LIE GROUPS

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#### Abstract

We give the exact contributions of Harish-Chandra transform,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , of Schwartz functions f to the harmonic analysis of spherical convolutions and the corresponding  $L^p$ — Schwartz algebras on a connected semisimple Lie group G (with finite center). One of our major results gives the proof of how the Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem enters into the spherical convolution transform of  $L^p$ — Schwartz functions and the generalization of this Theorem under the full spherical convolution map.

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## 1 Introduction

Let G be a connected semisimple Lie group with finite center, and denote the Harish-Chandra-type Schwartz spaces of functions on G by  $\mathcal{C}^p(G)$ ,  $0 . We know that <math>\mathcal{C}^p(G) \subset L^p(G)$  for every such p, and if K is a maximal compact subgroup of G such that  $\mathcal{C}^p(G/K)$  represents the subspace of  $\mathcal{C}^p(G)$  consisting of the K-bi-invariant functions, Trombi and Varadarajan ([9.]) have shown that the spherical Fourier transform  $f \mapsto \widehat{f}$  is a linear topological isomorphism of  $\mathcal{C}^p(G/K)$  onto the spaces  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^\epsilon)$ ,  $\epsilon = (2/p) - 1$ , consisting of rapidly decreasing functions on certain sets  $\mathfrak{F}^\epsilon$  of elementary spherical functions.

We show the existence of a hyper-function on both G and  $\mathfrak{F}^1$  (here named a spherical convolution) whose restriction to the group identity element, e, coincides with the spherical Fourier transforms,  $f \mapsto \widehat{f}$ , of Schwartz functions f on G and which affords us the opportunity of embarking on a more inclusive harmonic analysis on G. Indeed [8.] contains a more general Plancherel formula for the collection of these functions. As a function on G its series expansion is in the present paper studied. We show that, aside from the fact that the spherical Fourier transforms,  $\widehat{f}(\lambda)$ , is the constant term of this series expansion, there is a region in G where the spherical convolution is essentially  $\widehat{f}(\lambda)$ . Various algebras of these functions are thus studied and ultimately embedded in  $L^2(G)$ . It is however clear that the results in [8.] and in the present paper may be extended to include what may be termed as the Harish-Chandra-type Schwartz spaces of Eisenstein Integrals on G.

The following is the breakdown of each of the remaining sections of the paper.  $\S 2$ . contains the preliminaries to the research containing the structure theory, spherical functions and Schwartz algebras on G, while the series analysis of spherical convolutions on G is the subject of  $\S 3$ , where we also extend the  $Trombi-Varadarajan\ Theorem$  to all spherical convolutions. The relationship existing among the Schwartz algebras of functions and those of spherical convolutions is considered in  $\S 4$ .

### 2 Preliminaries

For the connected semisimple Lie group G with finite center, we denote

its Lie algebra by  $\mathfrak g$  whose Cartan decomposition is given as  $\mathfrak g=\mathfrak t\oplus \mathfrak p$ . Denote by  $\theta$  the Cartan involution on  $\mathfrak g$  whose collection of fixed points is  $\mathfrak t$ . We also denote by K the analytic subgroup of G with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak t$ . K is then a maximal compact subgroup of G. Choose a maximal abelian subspace  $\mathfrak a$  of  $\mathfrak p$  with algebraic dual  $\mathfrak a^*$  and set  $A=\exp \mathfrak a$ . For every  $\lambda \in \mathfrak a^*$  put

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\lambda} = \{ X \in \mathfrak{g} : [H, X] = \lambda(H)X, \forall H \in \mathfrak{a} \},$$

and call  $\lambda$  a restricted root of  $(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{a})$  whenever  $\mathfrak{g}_{\lambda} \neq \{0\}$ .

Denote by  $\mathfrak{a}'$  the open subset of  $\mathfrak{a}$  where all restricted roots are  $\neq 0$ , and call its connected components the Weyl chambers. Let  $\mathfrak{a}^+$  be one of the Weyl chambers, define the restricted root  $\lambda$  positive whenever it is positive on  $\mathfrak{a}^+$  and denote by  $\triangle^+$  the set of all restricted positive roots. Members of  $\triangle^+$  which form a basis for  $\triangle$  and can not be written as a linear combination of other members of  $\triangle^+$  are called simple. We then have the Iwasawa decomposition G = KAN, where N is the analytic subgroup of G corresponding to  $\mathfrak{n} = \sum_{\lambda \in \triangle^+} \mathfrak{g}_{\lambda}$ , and the polar decomposition  $G = K \cdot cl(A^+) \cdot K$ , with  $A^+ = \exp \mathfrak{a}^+$ , and  $cl(A^+)$  denoting the closure of  $A^+$ .

If we set  $M = \{k \in K : Ad(k)H = H, H \in \mathfrak{a}\}$  and  $M' = \{k \in K : Ad(k)\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{a}\}$  and call them the *centralizer* and *normalizer* of  $\mathfrak{a}$  in K, respectively, then (see [5.], p. 284); (i) M and M' are compact and have the same Lie algebra and (ii) the factor  $\mathfrak{w} = M'/M$  is a finite group called the Weyl group.  $\mathfrak{w}$  acts on  $\mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$  as a group of linear transformations by the requirement

$$(s\lambda)(H) = \lambda(s^{-1}H),$$

 $H \in \mathfrak{a}, s \in \mathfrak{w}, \lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ , the complexification of  $\mathfrak{a}^*$ . We then have the Bruhat decomposition

$$G = \bigsqcup_{s \in \mathfrak{w}} Bm_s B$$

where B = MAN is a closed subgroup of G and  $m_s \in M'$  is the representative of s (i.e.,  $s = m_s M$ ). The Weyl group invariant members of a space shall be denoted by the superscript  $^{\mathfrak{w}}$  while  $|\mathfrak{w}|$  represents the cardinality of  $\mathfrak{w}$ .

Some of the most important functions on G are the spherical functions which we now discuss as follows. A non-zero continuous function  $\varphi$  on G shall

be called a (zonal) spherical function whenever  $\varphi(e) = 1$ ,  $\varphi \in C(G//K) := \{g \in C(G): g(k_1xk_2) = g(x), k_1, k_2 \in K, x \in G\}$  and  $f * \varphi = (f * \varphi)(e) \cdot \varphi$  for every  $f \in C_c(G//K)$ , where  $(f * g)(x) := \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)dy$ . This leads to the existence of a homomorphism  $\lambda : C_c(G//K) \to \mathbb{C}$  given as  $\lambda(f) = (f * \varphi)(e)$ . This definition is equivalent to the satisfaction of the functional relation

$$\int_K \varphi(xky)dk = \varphi(x)\varphi(y), \quad x, y \in G.$$

It has been shown by Harish-Chandra [6.] that spherical functions on G can be parametrized by members of  $\mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ . Indeed every spherical function on G is of the form

$$\varphi_{\lambda}(x) = \int_{K} e^{(i\lambda - p)H(xk)} dk, \ \lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^{*},$$

 $\rho = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda \in \triangle^+} m_{\lambda} \cdot \lambda,$  where  $m_{\lambda} = dim(\mathfrak{g}_{\lambda})$ , and that  $\varphi_{\lambda} = \varphi_{\mu}$  iff  $\lambda = s\mu$  for some  $s \in \mathfrak{w}$ . Some of the well-known properties of spherical functions are  $\varphi_{-\lambda}(x^{-1}) = \varphi_{\lambda}(x), \ \varphi_{-\lambda}(x) = \bar{\varphi}_{\bar{\lambda}}(x), \ |\ \varphi_{\lambda}(x)\ | \leq \varphi_{\Re\lambda}(x), \ |\ \varphi_{\lambda}(x)\ | \leq \varphi_{i\Im\lambda}(x), \ \varphi_{-i\rho}(x) = 1, \ \lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*,$  while  $|\ \varphi_{\lambda}(x)\ | \leq \varphi_{0}(x), \ \lambda \in i\mathfrak{a}^*, \ x \in G.$  Also if  $\Omega$  is the Casimir operator on G then

$$\Omega \varphi_{\lambda} = -(\langle \lambda, \lambda \rangle + \langle \rho, \rho \rangle) \varphi_{\lambda},$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$  and  $\langle \lambda, \mu \rangle := tr(adH_{\lambda} \ adH_{\mu})$  for elements  $H_{\lambda}$ ,  $H_{\mu} \in \mathfrak{a}$ . This differential equation may be written simply as  $\Omega \varphi_{\lambda} = \gamma(\Omega)(\lambda)\varphi_{\lambda}$ , where  $\lambda \mapsto \gamma(\Omega)(\lambda)$  is the well-known Harish-Chandra homomorphism. The elements  $H_{\lambda}$ ,  $H_{\mu} \in \mathfrak{a}$  are uniquely defined by the requirement that  $\lambda(H) = tr(adH \ adH_{\lambda})$  and  $\mu(H) = tr(adH \ adH_{\mu})$  for every  $H \in \mathfrak{a}$  ([5.], Theorem 4.2). Clearly  $\Omega \varphi_0 = 0$ .

Due to a hint dropped by Dixmier [4.] (cf. [9.]) in his discussion of some functional calculus, it is necessary to recall the notion of a 'positive-definite' function and then discuss the situation for positive-definite spherical functions. We call a continuous function  $f: G \to \mathbb{C}$  (algebraically) positive-definite whenever, for all  $x_1, \ldots, x_m$  in G and all  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_m$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , we have

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^{m} \alpha_i \bar{\alpha}_j f(x_i^{-1} x_j) \ge 0.$$

It can be shown (cf. [5.]) that  $f(e) \ge 0$  and  $|f(x)| \le f(e)$  for every  $x \in G$  implying that the space  $\mathcal{P}$  of all positive-definite spherical functions on G is a subset of the space  $\mathfrak{F}^1$  of all bounded spherical functions on G.

We know, by the Helgason-Johnson theorem ([7.]), that

$$\mathfrak{F}^1=\mathfrak{a}^*+iC_\rho$$

where  $C_{\rho}$  is the convex hull of  $\{s\rho : s \in \mathfrak{w}\}$  in  $\mathfrak{a}^*$ . Defining the *involution*  $f^*$  of f as  $f^*(x) = \overline{f(x^{-1})}$ , it follows that  $f = f^*$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{P}$ , and if  $\varphi_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{P}$ , then  $\lambda$  and  $\overline{\lambda}$  are Weyl group conjugate, leading to a realization of  $\mathcal{P}$  as a subset of  $\mathfrak{w} \setminus \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ .  $\mathcal{P}$  becomes a locally compact Hausdorff space when endowed with the weak \*-topology as a subset of  $L^{\infty}(G)$ .

Let

$$\varphi_0(x) := \int_K \exp(-\rho(H(xk))) dk$$

be denoted as  $\Xi(x)$  and define  $\sigma: G \to \mathbb{C}$  as

$$\sigma(x) = \|X\|$$

for every  $x = k \exp X \in G$ ,  $k \in K$ ,  $X \in \mathfrak{a}$ , where  $\|\cdot\|$  is a norm on the finite-dimensional space  $\mathfrak{a}$ . These two functions are spherical functions on G and there exist numbers c,d such that

$$1 \le \Xi(a)e^{\rho(\log a)} \le c(1+\sigma(a))^d.$$

Also there exists r > 0 such that  $c =: \int_G \Xi(x)^2 (1 + \sigma(x))^r dx < \infty$  ([11.], p. 231). For each  $0 \le p \le 2$  define  $C^p(G)$  to be the set consisting of functions f in  $C^\infty(G)$  for which

$$\mu_{a,b;r}(f) := \sup_{G} [|f(a;x;b)|\Xi(x)^{-2/p}(1+\sigma(x))^r] < \infty$$

where  $a,b \in \mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}})$ , the universal enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}^+, x \in G$ ,  $f(x;b) := \frac{d}{dt}\big|_{t=0} f(x \cdot (\exp tb))$  and  $f(a;x) := \frac{d}{dt}\big|_{t=0} f((\exp ta) \cdot x)$ . We call  $\mathcal{C}^p(G)$  the Schwartz space on G for each  $0 and note that <math>\mathcal{C}^2(G)$  is the well-known (see [1.]) Harish-Chandra space of rapidly decreasing functions on G. The inclusions

$$C_c^{\infty}(G) \subset \mathcal{C}^p(G) \subset L^p(G)$$

hold and with dense images. It also follows that  $C^p(G) \subseteq C^q(G)$  whenever  $0 \le p \le q \le 2$ . Each  $C^p(G)$  is closed under *involution* and the *convolution*, \*. Indeed  $C^p(G)$  is a Fréchet algebra ([10.], p. 69). We endow  $C^p(G//K)$  with the relative topology as a subset of  $C^p(G)$ .

We shall say a function f on G satisfies a general strong inequality if for any  $r \geq 0$  there is a constant  $c = c_r > 0$  such that

$$|f(y)| \le c_r \Xi(y^{-1}x)(1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x))^{-r} \quad \forall x, y \in G.$$

We observe that if x=e then, using the fact that  $\Xi(y^{-1})=\Xi(y)$  and  $\sigma(y^{-1})=\sigma(y), \ \forall \ y\in G$ , such a function satisfies

$$| f(y) | \le c_r \Xi(y^{-1})(1 + \sigma(y^{-1}))^{-r} = c_r \Xi(y)(1 + \sigma(y))^{-r}, \ \forall \ y \in G,$$

showing that a function on G which satisfies a general strong inequality satisfies in particular a strong inequality (in the classical sense of Harish-Chandra, [11.]). Members of  $C^2(G) =: C(G)$  are those functions f on G for which  $f(g_1; \cdot; g_2)$  satisfies the strong inequality, for all  $g_1, g_2 \in \mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}})$ . We may then define  $C^{(x)}(G)$  to be those functions f on G for which  $f(g_1; \cdot; g_2)$  satisfies the general strong inequality, for all  $g_1, g_2 \in \mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}})$  and a fixed  $x \in G$ . It is clear that  $C^{(e)}(G) = C(G)$  and that  $\bigcup_{x \in G} C^{(x)}(G)$ , which contains C(G), may be given an inductive limit topology. The seminorms defining this topology will be explicitly given in §4.

For any measurable function f on G we define the *spherical Fourier transform*  $\widehat{f}$  as

$$\widehat{f}(\lambda) = \int_G f(x)\varphi_{-\lambda}(x)dx,$$

 $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ . It is known (see [3.]) that for  $f, g \in L^1(G)$  we have:

- (i.)  $(f*g)^{\wedge} = \widehat{f} \cdot \widehat{g}$  on  $\mathfrak{F}^1$  whenever f (or g) is right (or left-) K-invariant;
- (ii.)  $(f^*)^{\wedge}(\varphi) = \overline{\widehat{f}(\varphi^*)}, \varphi \in \mathfrak{F}^1$ ; hence  $(f^*)^{\wedge} = \overline{\widehat{f}}$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ : and, if we define  $f^{\#}(g) := \int_{K \times K} f(k_1 x k_2) dk_1 dk_2, x \in G$ , then
- (iii.)  $(f^{\#})^{\wedge} = \widehat{f}$  on  $\mathfrak{F}^1$ .

We shall denote the spherical Fourier transform  $\widehat{f}(\lambda)$  of  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$  by  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$  and refer to it as the Harish-Chandra transforms of f. Its major properties are well-known and may be found in [9.]. It should be noted that  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda) = \widehat{f}(\lambda) = \int_G f(y)\varphi_{-\lambda}(y)dy = \int_G f(y)\varphi_{\lambda}(y^{-1})dy = \int_G f(y)\varphi_{\lambda}(y^{-1}e)dy = (f*\varphi_{\lambda})(e)$ . That is, the Harish-Chandra transforms of f is the restriction of the function

$$x \mapsto (f * \varphi_{\lambda})(x) =: s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$

on G to the identity element. It is therefore worthwhile to explore  $s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  in some details for all  $x \in G$  in order to put its behaviour at x = e (as the Harish-Chandra transforms of f) in a proper and larger perspective.

The beauty of studying the entirety of the function  $s_{\lambda,f}(x)$ , for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}^p(G)$ ,  $x \in G$ , which we shall explore in this paper, is that it could be viewed as a transformation in six (6) different ways; As

(1.) 
$$x \mapsto k_1(\lambda) := s_{\lambda, f}(x)$$
, for any  $f \in C^p(G)$ 

and

(2.) 
$$x \mapsto k_2(f) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$
, for any  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ ,

(from where the Plancherel formula for the space of functions  $x \mapsto k_2(f)$  has recently been computed in [8.]) both of which are maps on G; or as

(3.) 
$$f \mapsto l_1(\lambda) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$
, for any  $x \in G$ 

(which, at x = e, led Harish-Chandra to the consideration of  $f \mapsto (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ : cf. [9.]) and

(4.) 
$$f \mapsto l_2(x) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$
, for any  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ ,

both of which are maps on  $C^p(G)$ ; or as

(5.) 
$$\lambda \mapsto m_1(f) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$
, for any  $x \in G$ 

and

(6.) 
$$\lambda \mapsto m_2(x) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$
, for any  $f \in C^p(G)$ ,

both of which are maps on  $\mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ . Hence the function  $x \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  may rightly be called an *hyper-function* on G whose major contribution to harmonic analysis would be to *absorb* other known functions of the subject and put their results in *proper perspectives*, as we shall establish here for the *Harish-Chandra* 

transform and Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem.

In order to know the image of the spherical Fourier transform when restricted to  $C^p(G//K)$  we need the following spaces that are central to the statement of the well-known result of Trombi and Varadarajan [9.]. Let  $C_\rho$  be the closed convex hull of the (finite) set  $\{s\rho: s \in \mathfrak{w}\}$  in  $\mathfrak{a}^*$ , i.e.,

$$C_{\rho} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_{i}(s_{i}\rho) : \lambda_{i} \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_{i} = 1, s_{i} \in \mathfrak{w} \right\}$$

where we recall that, for every  $H \in \mathfrak{a}$ ,  $(s\rho)(H) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda \in \triangle^+} m_\lambda \cdot \lambda(s^{-1}H)$ .

Now for each  $\epsilon > 0$  set  $\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon} = \mathfrak{a}^* + i\epsilon C_{\rho}$ . Each  $\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}$  is convex in  $\mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$  and

$$int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) = \bigcup_{0 < \epsilon' < \epsilon} \mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon'}$$

([9.], Lemma (3.2.2)). Let us define  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^0) = \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{a}^*)$  and, for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  be the space of all  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued functions  $\Phi$  such that (i.)  $\Phi$  is defined and holomorphic on  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ , and (ii.) for each holomorphic differential operator D with polynomial coefficients we have  $\sup_{int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})} |D\Phi| < \infty$ .

The space  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  is converted to a Fréchet algebra by equipping it with the topology generated by the collection,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})}$ , of seminorms given by  $\|\Phi\|_{\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})} := \sup_{int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})} |D\Phi|$ . It is known that  $D\Phi$  above extends to a continuous function on all of  $\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}$  ([9.], pp. 278 – 279). An appropriate subalgebra of  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  for our purpose is the closed subalgebra  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  consisting of  $\mathfrak{w}$ -invariant elements of  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ ,  $\epsilon \geq 0$ . The following (known as the Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem) is the major result of [9.]: Let  $0 and set <math>\epsilon = (2/p) - 1$ . Then the spherical Fourier transform  $f \mapsto \hat{f}$  is a linear topological algebra isomorphism of  $C^p(G//K)$  onto  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ . That is, the topological algebra  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  is an isomorphic copy or a realization of  $C^p(G//K)$ .

In order to find other isomorphic copies or realizations of  $C^p(G//K)$  under the more inclusive general transformation map

$$f \mapsto l_1(\lambda) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$$
, for any  $x \in G$ ,

we shall now introduce a more general algebra,  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ , of  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued functions on  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times G$  which, when restricted to  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times \exp(N_0)$ , coincides

with  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ . The form of this new algebra is suggested by Theorem 3.5. Set  $\mathcal{Z}_G(\mathfrak{F}^0) = \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{a}^*) \times G$  and let  $\mathcal{Z}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ , be the collection of all  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued functions  $\Psi$   $((\lambda, x) \mapsto \Psi(\lambda, x), \ \forall \ (\lambda, x) \in int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times G)$  such that

- (i.)  $\Psi$  is holomorphic in the variable  $\lambda$ , analytic in x and spherical on G;
- (ii.)  $\sup_{int(\mathfrak{F}^e)} |D_1\Psi| < \infty$  and  $\sup_G |\Psi D_2| < \infty$ , for every holomorphic differential operator  $D_1$  with polynomial coefficients and every left-invariant differential operator  $D_2$  on G and
- (iii.) the restriction of  $\Psi$  to  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times \{e\}$  (or to  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times \exp(N_0(A^+))$ , for some zero neighbourhood  $N_0(A^+)$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , as will later be seen in Theorem 3.5) is (a non-zero constant multiple of) the Harish-Chandra transform,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda) = \hat{f}$ .

It may be shown, in exact manner as for  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  above, that the space  $\mathcal{Z}_{G}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  is converted to a Fréchet algebra by equipping it with the topology generated by the collection,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{Z}_{G}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})}$ , of seminorms given by

$$\|\Psi\|_{\mathcal{Z}_G(\mathfrak{F}^\epsilon)}:=\sup_{int(\mathfrak{F}^\epsilon)\times G}|D_1\Psi D_2|.$$

An appropriate subalgebra of  $\mathcal{Z}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  for our purpose is the closed subalgebra  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  consisting of  $\mathfrak{w}$ -invariant elements of  $\mathcal{Z}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ ,  $\epsilon \geq 0$ . By the time Theorem 3.5 is established it will be clear that  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_{\{x\}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \simeq \bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ , for every x in some zero neighbourhood  $N_0(A^+)$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . In particular,  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_{\{e\}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \simeq \bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ .

# 3 Series Analysis of Spherical Convolutions

Let  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ , we recall from [8.] the definition of spherical convolutions,  $s_{\lambda,f}$ , on G corresponding to the pair  $(\lambda, f)$  as

$$s_{\lambda,f}(x) := (f * \varphi_{\lambda})(x), x \in G.$$

We already know that  $s_{\lambda,f}(e) = (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , where e is the identity element of G and  $\lambda \in i\mathfrak{a}^*$ . This relation between a function on G at the identity element and another function on  $i\mathfrak{a}^*$  suggests we study the full contribution of the Harish-Chandra transforms,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , of f to the properties of  $x \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$ 

and to seek other functions on  $i\mathfrak{a}^*$  which have not been known in the harmonic analysis of G, but still contribute to a deeper understanding of the structure of G.

In order to explore the nature of this idea we consider opening up the spherical convolutions  $x \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  via its Taylor's series expansion.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $N_0$  be a neighbourhood of origin in  $\mathfrak{g}$  and t be sufficiently small in  $\mathbb{R}$  (say  $0 \le t \le 1$ ). Then

$$s_{\lambda,f}(x\exp tX) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} [\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](x),$$

where for every  $X \in N_0$  we set  $[\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](x) = \frac{d^n}{du^n} s_{\lambda,f}(x \exp uX)|_{u=0}$ **Proof.** The proof follows from a direct application of Taylor's series expansion, [5.],  $p.\ 105$ .  $\square$ 

At x = e and t = 1 the formula in the Lemma becomes

$$s_{\lambda,f}(\exp X) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} [\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](e) = s_{\lambda,f}(e) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} [\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](e)$$
$$= (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} [\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](e), \quad X \in N_0.$$

This observation leads quickly to the following result which gives the exact contribution of the Harish-Chandra transforms to the study of spherical convolutions.

**Lemma 3.2.** The Harish-Chandra transforms,  $\lambda \mapsto (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$ , is the constant term in the (Taylor's) series expansion of spherical convolutions,  $x \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  around x = e, for every  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}^*$ .  $\square$ 

It may be deduced, from the expansion leading to the proof Lemma 3.2, that the only time the remaining terms in  $s_{\lambda,f}(\exp X)$ , after the (non-zero) constant term  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , could vanish is when the differential operator  $\tilde{X}=0$ . That is, when X=0. It therefore follows that the well-known (Harish-Chandra) harmonic analysis on G ([1.], [2.], [9.] and [11.]) has always been

that of the consideration of the map  $X \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(\exp X)$  at only X = 0, which is the origin of  $\mathfrak{g}$  or which corresponds to the identity point of  $\exp(\mathfrak{g})$ . Hence, since the constant term,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , of  $s_{\lambda,f}(\exp X)$  corresponds indeed to the consideration of the constant term in the asymptotic expansion of (zonal) spherical functions,  $\varphi_{\lambda}$ , it also follows that other terms in the expansion of  $\varphi_{\lambda}$  may be needed to completely understand  $f \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$ .

The expression for  $s_{\lambda,f}(\exp X)$  therefore suggests that a full harmonic analysis of G may be attained from a close study of the remaining contributions of the transform of f given as

$$\lambda \longmapsto \frac{t^n}{n!} [\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](x),$$

for all  $X \in N_0$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $x \in G$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$  and sufficiently small values of t, in the same manner that its constant term,

$$\lambda \longmapsto (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$$

had been considered.

However before considering the transformational properties of spherical convolutions we note the following lemmas which lead to a more inclusive view of the Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem and prepares the ground for its generalization.

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $N_0$  be a neighbourhood of origin in  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$  and t be sufficiently small in  $\mathbb{R}$  (say  $0 \le t \le 1$ ). Then

$$s_{\lambda,f}(x\exp tX) = \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} \gamma(\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)_{|_{u=0}}\right] \cdot s_{\lambda,f}(x),$$

for every  $X \in N_0$ ,  $x \in G$ ,  $f \in C(G)$ .

Proof. We note here that

$$\begin{split} & [\tilde{X}s_{\lambda,f}](x) = \frac{d}{du}s_{\lambda,f}(x\exp uX)_{|u=0} = \frac{d}{du}(f*\varphi_{\lambda})(x\exp uX)_{|u=0} \\ & = (f*\frac{d}{du}\varphi_{\lambda})(x\exp uX)_{|u=0} = \gamma(\frac{d}{du})(\lambda) \cdot (f*\varphi_{\lambda})(x\exp uX)_{|u=0}. \end{split}$$

Hence

$$[\tilde{X}^n s_{\lambda,f}](x) = \gamma (\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)_{|u=0} \cdot (f * \varphi_{\lambda})(x \exp uX)_{|u=0} = \gamma (\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)_{|u=0} \cdot s_{\lambda,f}(x). \quad \Box$$

The particular case of setting x = e and t = 1 in Lemma 3.3 introduces the Harish-Chandra transforms,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , into the analysis of this series, proving the following.

**Lemma 3.4.** Let  $N_0$  be a neighbourhood of origin in  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}^*$ . Then the spherical convolution function,  $x \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  is a non-zero constant multiple of the Harish-Chandra transforms,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ , on  $\exp(N_0)$ .

**Proof.** Set x = e and t = 1 into Lemma 3.3 to have

$$s_{\lambda,f}(\exp X) = [\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \gamma(\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)_{|u=0}] \cdot s_{\lambda,f}(e) = [\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \gamma(\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)_{|u=0}] \cdot (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda),$$

with 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \gamma(\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)|_{u=0} = 1 + \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \gamma(\frac{d^n}{du^n})(\lambda)|_{u=0}\right] \neq 0$$
.  $\square$ 

Let us denote the non-zero constant in Lemma 3.4 above by  $\kappa$ . The following theorem is a consequence of normalizing the spherical convolutions in Lemma 3.4.

Theorem 3.5. (Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem for Spherical Convolutions) Let  $0 , set <math>\epsilon = (2/p) - 1$  and  $x \in \exp(N_0)$ . Set  $\widehat{f}_x(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\kappa} s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  for  $f \in C^p(G//K)$ . Then the spherical convolution transforms  $f \mapsto \widehat{f}_x$  is a linear topological algebra isomorphism of  $C^p(G//K)$  onto  $\overline{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ .  $\square$ 

We recover the Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem for Harish-Chandra transforms by setting x=e in Theorem 3.5. Indeed, Theorem 3.5 above says that every  $x\in\exp(N_0)$  (and not just x=e) gives a topological algebra isomorphism between  $C^p(G//K)$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^e)$ . However if  $x\in G\setminus\exp(N_0)$ , for any neighborhood  $N_0$  of zero in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem may not be appropriate and it may be necessary to seek a more general realization of  $C^p(G//K)$  under the map  $f\mapsto l_1(\lambda):=s_{\lambda,f}(x)$ , for any  $x\in G$ . Before considering another major result of this paper, giving the fine structure of spherical convolution functions, we state a result on the finiteness of a central integral usually used in the estimation of many other integrals of harmonic

analysis on semisimple Lie groups.

To this end we define, for every  $x \in G$ , the function  $x \mapsto d(x)$  as

$$d(x) = \int_G \Xi^2(y^{-1}x)(1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x))^{-r} dy.$$

We observe here that

$$d(e) = \int_G \Xi^2(y^{-1})(1 + \sigma(y^{-1}))^{-r} dy = \int_G \Xi^2(y)(1 + \sigma(y))^{-r} dy,$$

which is a constant whose proof of finiteness may be found in [11.], p. 231. This constant is crucial to all harmonic analysis of  $\mathcal{C}(G)$  and, in particular, to the embedding of  $\mathcal{C}(G)$  in  $L^2(G)$ . It is therefore important to understand the nature of d(x) for all  $x \in G$  in order to employ it in a more inclusive harmonic analysis on G. We consider the nature of this integral in the following.

**Lemma 3.6.** Let  $x \in G$ . Then there exist  $r \geq 0$  such that

$$d(x) = \int_G \Xi^2(y^{-1}x)(1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x))^{-r} dy < \infty.$$

**Proof.** We already know that  $\Xi(y^{-1}x) \leq 1$ . Also

$$1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x) \le (1 + \sigma(y^{-1}))(1 + \sigma(x)) = (1 + \sigma(y))(1 + \sigma(x)).$$

It follows therefore that

$$d(x) \le \int_G (1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x))^{-r} dy \le (1 + \sigma(x)) \int_G (1 + \sigma(y)) dy.$$

The last integral in the above inequality is finite if we embark on its computation via the polar decomposition,  $G = K \cdot cl(A^+) \cdot K$ , of G.  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $N_0$  be a neighbourhood of origin in  $\mathfrak{g}$  where f is a measurable function on G which satisfies the general strong inequality. The integral defining the spherical convolution function,  $x \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$ , is absolutely and uniformly convergent for all  $x \in \exp(N_0)$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{ia}^*$ . Moreover the transforms  $\lambda \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  of f, with  $x \in \exp(N_0)$ , is a continuous function on  $\mathfrak{ia}^*$ . If  $r \geq 0$  is such that  $d(x) = \int_G \Xi^2(y^{-1}x)(1+\sigma(y^{-1}x))^{-r}dy < \infty$ ,  $x \in G$ , then

$$\mid s_{\lambda,f}(x)\mid \leq d(x)\cdot \mu_{1,1,r}(f), \ x\in G, \ \lambda\in i\mathfrak{a}^*.$$

**Proof.** We recall that  $|\varphi_{\lambda}(x)| \leq \varphi_{0}(x) = \Xi(x), x \in G, \lambda \in i\mathfrak{a}^{*}$ . Hence

$$\mid (f*\varphi_{\lambda})(x) \mid \leq \int_{G} \mid f(y)\varphi_{\lambda}(y^{-1}x) \mid dy \leq \mu_{1,1,r}(f) \int_{G} \Xi^{2}(y^{-1}x)(1+\sigma(y^{-1}x))^{-r} dy$$

=  $d(x) \cdot \mu_{1,1,r}(f)$ . Continuity follows from the use of the Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem.  $\square$ 

The following well-known result on the foundational properties of the Harish-Chandra transforms,  $\lambda \mapsto (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ ,  $\lambda \in i\mathfrak{a}^*$ , now follows from the general outlook given by Theorem 3.7.

Corollary 3.8. ([9.]) Let f be a measurable function on G which satisfies the strong inequality. The integral defining the Harish-Chandra transforms,

$$(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda) = \int_G f(x)\varphi_{\lambda}(x)dx,$$

is absolutely and uniformly convergent for all  $\lambda \in i\mathfrak{a}^*$  and is continuous on  $i\mathfrak{a}^*$ . If  $r \geq 0$  is such that  $d = \int_G \Xi^2(y)(1+\sigma(y))^{-r}dy < \infty$ , then

$$(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda) \mid \leq d\mu_{1,1,r}(f), \ \lambda \in i\mathfrak{a}^*.$$

**Proof.** Set X=0 in Theorem 3.7 to have the first results. The inequality follows if we set x=e and observe that  $d(e)=\int_G\Xi^2(y^{-1})(1+\sigma(y^{-1}))^{-r}dy=d$ .  $\square$ 

We now consider the image of  $C^p(G//K)$  under the full spherical convolution map,  $f \mapsto l_1(\lambda) := s_{\lambda,f}(x)$ , for any  $x \in G$ . In order to discuss this we have two options. One of the options is to introduce wave-packet that will still have its domain as  $\bar{Z}(\mathfrak{F}^e)$  while using an appropriate Plancherel measure on  $\mathfrak{F}^e$ . This option has been explored in [8.], p. 34, where the  $L^2$  Plancherel measure,  $d\zeta_{x,\lambda}$  on  $\mathfrak{F}^1$  for the spherical convolution function (when viewed as a function on G) was defined to absorb the group variable, x. The results therein suggest that the image of  $C^p(G//K)$  under the full spherical convolution map is indeed possible.

The second option is to retain the spherical Bochner measure,  $d\lambda$ , on (a subset of)  $\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}$  and define the wave-packet as a map on the Fréchet algebra  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ . This will reflect the nature of the full spherical convolution map as a transform of members of  $\mathcal{C}^p(G//K)$  whose arguments are (generally) taken from  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times G$  (and not just from  $int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  as in the first option). This is the option we shall explore in the present paper.

To this end recall the Fréchet algebra  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ ,  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , let  $\Psi \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  and set

$$N_0(A^+) = N_0 \cap A^+,$$

where  $N_0$  is a zero neighbourhood in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . It is clear that  $N_0(A^+)$  is also a zero neighbourhood in  $\mathfrak{g}$  and that  $\Psi = \Psi(\lambda, x)$ , for all  $(\lambda, x) \in int(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \times G$ . It follows, from Theorem 3.5, that  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_{\{x\}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon}) \simeq \bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ , for every  $x \in \exp(N_0(A^+))$ . We then have the following.

**Lemma 3.9.** For every  $x \in \exp(N_0(A^+))$  and  $\Psi \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^e)$ , we have that  $\Psi(\lambda, x) = \Phi(\lambda)$ , for some  $\Phi \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^e)$ .

We now employ these remarks to define a map from  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  to  $C^p(G//K)$  as follows. Let  $a \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  and  $\lambda \mapsto c(\lambda)$  be the Harish-Chandra c-function defined on  $\mathfrak{F}_I := i\mathfrak{a}^*$ . We associate to every  $a \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$  the function  $\varphi_a$  on G defined as

$$\varphi_a(x) = \mid \mathfrak{w} \mid^{-1} \int_{\mathfrak{F}_I} a(-\lambda, x) \varphi_{-\lambda}(x) c(-\lambda)^{-1} c(\lambda)^{-1} d\lambda, \quad x \in G.$$

It should be noted here that

$$\begin{split} \varphi_a(x) &= \mid \mathfrak{w} \mid^{-1} \int_{\mathfrak{F}_I} a(-\lambda, x) \varphi_{-\lambda}(x) c(-\lambda)^{-1} c(\lambda)^{-1} d\lambda \\ &= \mid \mathfrak{w} \mid^{-1} \int_{\mathfrak{F}_I} a(\lambda, x) \varphi_{\lambda}(x) c(\lambda)^{-1} c(-\lambda)^{-1} d(-\lambda) \\ &= \mid \mathfrak{w} \mid^{-1} \int_{\mathfrak{F}_I} a(\lambda, x) \varphi_{\lambda}(x) c(\lambda)^{-1} c(-\lambda)^{-1} d\lambda, \end{split}$$

which is due to the invariance of  $d\lambda$ , and that

$$\varphi_a(k_1xk_2) = \varphi_a(x),$$

 $\forall x \in G, k_1, k_2 \in K$ , being a property inherited from a and  $\varphi_{\lambda}$ .

The (extra) requirement of being spherical on G placed on members of  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^e)$  may at first be seen as a restriction, when compared to the requirements on members of  $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^e)$ . It however turns out that this extra requirement is what is needed to assure us of the generalization of the *classical* wave-packets (of Trombi-Varadarajan) on G to all of  $x \mapsto \varphi_a(x)$ . This is established as follows.

**Lemma 3.10.** Let  $a \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^e)$  and  $N_0(A^+)$  be as defined above. Then, for every  $x \in \exp(N_0(A^+))$ , the map  $x \mapsto \varphi_a(x)$  is the classical wave-packet of G.

**Proof.** We observe that, with  $\exp tH \in \exp(N_0(A^+))$ ,

$$a(\lambda, x) = a(\lambda, k_1 \exp tHk_2) = a(\lambda, \exp tH) = \Phi(\lambda),$$

for some  $\Phi \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ . Here we have employed the spherical property of a on G in the second equality and Lemma 3.9 in the third equality.  $\square$ 

The above Lemma shows that the definition and properties of the map  $x \mapsto \varphi_a(x), x \in G$ , is consistent with the relationship (in Lemma 3.4) existing between spherical convolutions,  $s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  and the Harish-Chandra transfroms,  $(\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ . Hence in order to extend Trombi-Varadarajan Theorem (which gives the image of the algebra  $C^p(G//K)$  under  $f \mapsto (\mathcal{H}f)(\lambda)$ ) to all  $x \in G$  (under the spherical convolution transform), it will be necessary to show that  $x \mapsto \varphi_a(x)$  is the wave-packet of  $f \mapsto s_{\lambda,f}(x)$  for all  $x \in G$ . According to Lemma 3.10, this needs only be done for those  $x = k_1 \exp tHk_2$  in G with  $\exp tH \notin \exp(N_0(A^+))$ , for any neighbourhood,  $N_0$ , of zero in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We however give a self-contained discussion of these results, the first of which is given below.

Theorem 3.11.  $\varphi_a \in C^p(G//K)$  for every  $a \in \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_G(\mathfrak{F}^{\epsilon})$ .

In order to establish this Theorem we prove some lemmas which give appropriate background for it. Indeed we derive an appropriate bound for  $|\varphi_a(h;u)|$ , where  $u \in \mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}})$  and h is well-chosen, and the appropriate collection of seminorms are also in place.

# 4 Algebras of Spherical Convolutions

We now consider the various algebras of spherical convolutions that have emanated in the course of this research and their relationship with the Harish-Chandra Schwartz algebra, C(G), on G as well as its distinguished commutative subalgebra, C(G//K), of (elementary) spherical functions.

Define  $\mathcal{C}_{\lambda}(G) = \{s_{\lambda,f} : f \in \mathcal{C}(G)\}$  and set  $\mathcal{C}_{\lambda,0}(G) = \{s_{\lambda,\varphi_{\lambda}}\}$ , for all  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$ . It is clear that  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*} \mathcal{C}_{\lambda}(G)$  is contained in  $\mathcal{C}(G)$ . We may therefore topologize  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*} \mathcal{C}_{\lambda}(G)$  by giving it the *relative topology* from the topology defined on  $\mathcal{C}(G)$  by the seminorms,  $\mu_{a,b,r}$ .

## Lemma 4.1. The inclusions

$$[\bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*} \mathcal{C}_{\lambda,0}(G)] \subset \mathcal{C}(G//K) \subset [\bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{C}}^*} \mathcal{C}_{\lambda}(G)] \subset \mathcal{C}(G)$$

are all proper.

Theorem 4.2.  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathfrak{F}^1} \mathcal{C}_{\lambda}(G)$  is a closed subalgebra of  $\mathcal{C}(G)$ . Proof. We recall that  $\mu_{a,b;r}(f * \varphi_{\lambda}) \leq c\mu_{1,b;r+r_0}(f) \cdot \mu_{a,1;r}(\varphi_{\lambda})$ , where  $c := \int_G \Xi^2(x)(1+\sigma(x))^{-r_0} dx < \infty$  for some  $r_0 \geq 0$ . However

$$\mu_{a,1;r}(\varphi_{\lambda}) = \sup_{G} [|\varphi_{\lambda}(1;x;a)| \cdot \Xi(x)^{-1} (1 + \sigma(x))^{r}]$$

$$= |\gamma(a)(\lambda)| \cdot \sup_{G} [|\varphi_{\lambda}(x)| \cdot \Xi(x)^{-1} (1 + \sigma(x))^{r}]$$

$$\leq M |\gamma(a)(\lambda)| \cdot \sup_{G} [\Xi(x)^{-1} (1 + \sigma(x))^{r}] < \infty$$
(since  $\varphi_{\lambda}$  is bounded for all  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{F}^{1}$ ).

Hence  $\mu_{a,b;r}(f * \varphi_{\lambda}) < \infty, \ \forall \ \lambda \in \mathfrak{F}^1$ .  $\square$ 

It may be recalled that members of C(G) are exactly those functions on G whose left and right derivatives satisfy the *strong inequality*. In the light of this observation we define  $C^{(x)}(G)$  as exactly those functions on G whose

left and right derivatives satisfy the general strong inequality, for each  $x \in G$ . Explicitly we set  $C^{(x)}(G)$  as

$$\mathcal{C}^{(x)}(G) = \{ f: G \mapsto \mathbb{C} : \sup_{y \in G} [|f(a;y;b)| \cdot \Xi(y^{-1}x)^{-1}(1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x))^r] < \infty \},$$

 $x \in G$ . A collection of seminorms on each of  $\mathcal{C}^{(x)}(G)$  may be given by

$$\mu_{a,b;r}^{(x)}(f) := \sup_{y \in G} [|f(a;y;b)| \cdot \Xi(y^{-1}x)^{-1} (1 + \sigma(y^{-1}x))^r].$$

It is however clear that  $\mathcal{C}^{(e)}(G) = \mathcal{C}(G)$ , so that  $\mathcal{C}(G) \subset \bigcup_{x \in G} \mathcal{C}^{(x)}(G)$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** The natural inclusion  $\bigcup_{x\in G} C^{(x)}(G) \subset L^2(G)$  has a dense image.

**Proof.** It is known that the natural inclusion of C(G) in  $L^2(G)$  has a dense image, [1.]. The result therefore follows if we recall that, as sets of functions,

$$C(G) \subset \bigcup_{x \in G} C^{(x)}(G) \subset L^2(G),$$

where the second inclusion holds from the fact that  $d(x) < \infty$ ,  $x \in G$ .  $\square$ 

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